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OFFICE OF GENERAL
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March 9, 2010

Mr. Jeff S. Jordan
Federal Election Commission
999 E. Street N.W.
Washington, DC 204763

Dear Mr. Jordan:

On March 2, 2010 we received notice of the complaint, MUR 6255, stating that the Friends of Cliff Stearns campaign may have violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971.

On June 17, 2009 we received a contribution from The National Multi Housing Council Political Action Committee, in the amount of \$2,500. We also received two separate checks on September 11, 2009 in the amount of \$2,500 each. However, one was designated for the primary election, the other for the general election.

As a qualified multicandidate committee (11 CFR §100.5(e)(3)), NMHC PAC is authorized to contribute up to \$5,000 per election (11CFR § 110.2 (b)). Elections are defined in 11 CFR §100.2 to include both general and primary elections among others.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any further questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,



Kathleen Balboni
Treasurer
Friends of Cliff Stearns

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Federal law requires that we report the name, mailing address, business, and name of employer for each individual whose total contributions exceed \$200.00 in an election cycle. Federal law does not allow company checks, and contributions are not tax deductible for federal income tax purposes. Please make checks payable to Friends of Cliff Stearns.

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